#### MUSIC AND THE DRAMA...

DRAMATIC OBITUARY FOR 1880. The losses of the stage in the course of the year now closing have been uncommonly heavy. Several of the most cherished names that ever were written on the theatrical roll of honor are now inscribed in the book of death. The list includes Felicite Vestvali, Henry Wieniawski (tamou musician), Mrs. Mary Chapman, George Honey, J. R. Pianche, John Brougham, Tom Taylor, Adelaide Neilson, Mrs. Charles Kean (Ellen Tree), Charles Barcourt, Harry Beckett, William R. Floyd, J. B. Omahundro (Texas Jack), T. L. Donnelly, Mrs. E. Wright, Charles Louis Mestaver, Jacques Offenbach (the composer), Nina Varian, and the widew of Lysander Thompson.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC NOTES. "Olivette" was produced yesterday at the Bijou Opera House.

Miss Amy Baker gave readings at St. Ann's Church on December 21.

Miss Nellie Holbrook proposes to give Shake-spearean recitals shortly in this city.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" can be seen at the Academy of Music, and also at Booth's Theatre. "Jean Bandry," by Auguste Vacquerie, has been revived at the Theatre Francais, with immense suc-

This week, at the Fifth Avenue, Mary Anderson will act Bianca, Evadne Julia, The Countess and Pauline. Talk is the third week of her engagement.

" Uncle Tom's Cabin," as arranged for the stage by George Fawcett Rowe, will be presented at Booth's Theatre on Monday evening. This is the version that was given in England by Messrs, Jar-

"The Messiah" will be sung by the Oratorio Society at Steinway Hall on Tuesday afternoon and on Wednesday evening. The solo parts will be taken by Miss Lillian Bailey, Miss Anna Drasdil, Mr. George Simpson and Mr. George Henschel.

Miss Sophia Priestly will give a concert at Chickering Hall on Tuesday evening, in which she will have the assistance of Miss Belle Cole, Miss Emily Spader, Mr. Henry Branders and Mr. E. A. Summers, and three of her own pupils.

The analyersary of the production of Mr. Mackaye's drama of " Hazel Kirke" will soon arrive, at the Madison Square Theatre, and it will be commemorated. Mr. Mackaye himself is recovering from a severe illness—the result of anxiety, care, hard work, and ecclesiastical partners in business.

Repotitions will be given during this week of "Forget Me Not," at Wallack's Theatre; "Needles and Pins," at Daly's; "Hampty Dumpty," at Niblo's;
"The Babes in the Wood," at Haverly's; "Hazei Kirke," at the Madison Square; "Yorick's Love," at the Park; "My Geraldine," at the Standard; "The Banker's Daughter," at the Union Square; and "Othello" (by Mr. Backus, at the San Francisco

Jefferson is in Louisville .... Lester Wallack will ner m Brooklyn, January 10, 1881 ..... Ada Cavenfish is in Louisville ..... Robson and Crane are in 

#### DRAMATIC DIARY. LAST INSTALMENT FOR 1880.

SEPTIMBED.

13th.-The Boston Ideal Opera Company

20th. Fampy travemport appeared at the Firth Avenue Theatre is a new play, called "An American Girl," written by Miss Anna E. Danaisson. Ada Cavendish, at the Grand Opera House, produced Mr. C. A. Gunter's play, called "Tire Soil of an Astross." Lawn Play, called "Tire Soil of an Astross." Lawn Tens. is," by Mr. R. E. Woolf, was presented at the Fork Theatre.—Mary America began an engagement of one week at the Park Theatre, Brookin, as Judiet.— O Dearon Cembett, by Join Handerrien, amour of "Heren's Bathes," was produced at Havery's Theatre,

was reopened, after a recess of a work, with a named " Our First Families," by Mr Edmar

23d-The widow of Lysunder Thompson died in Rock-2500 ,—Ada Cavendish endellengarement at the Grand  $\Omega$  -ca House.

27(6,- \* Deacon Crankert " was produced as the Union Square Toware, N. Y.

29to.-Laure Mestayer died, in New York. 30th. Wallack's Theatre was opined for the regular crascis, and "As You Like it" was produced. Mr. Ostmord Textle, Mr. II. M. Fitt and Mr. Etton made hear first appearance on the American stage, and Mrs Rose Cognital acts a Resultend for the first time.

OCTOBER. 3.-Funeral of Louis Mechanier, at the Church of the Transfiguration, in Twenty minthest, N. Y. the T. anellogration, in Twenty initiest, N. Y.

4th.—Mrss Anele It learne appeared at Nitho's Theatre
is Hamilto-An English version of "Le Fille in Tambour
M. Jor " was produced at daverty's Treatre.—"LeCionies de Corneville " was sing at the Standard.—Les
ter Walins k appeared at the Pera Theatre, Broonlyn, in
"Ours "—The "Frollessine Oysters" was produced at
the Aquarium.—Burdey Campbell's play of "Matrimeny "acced (in Pahadelphia) for first time.

5th.-Jacques Offenbach died, in Paris. G.h.-The New-York Park Theatre was reopened, after a recess of two nights, and Miss Rose Lytings appeared there, in " A Bafflea Beauty." s.b.-fwo hundred and fiftieth consecutive performance of Mr. Steene Mackaye's "Hazel Kirko" occurred. Madison Square Theatre.

11th-" Cinterella" was produced at Booth's Theatre. 13th-"The Snew Flower" (Bouer ault's " Pauvrette") - produced by Miss Kate Claxton, at the Edou Opera

16 h-The regular seeson opened at the Union Square featre, and "Deniel Rochat" was produced for the stime in America. 18th-Adv Civendish appeared at the Windsor Theatre.

N. Y. "My Partner" was brought forward at Niblo's. The last performance of "As You Like It "took place at We ack's. Miss Emily Right appeared as Gindra, in "A Buill of Beauty," at the Park, in place of Miss Eyringe. - 'The Guy'nor" was produced at Wallack's

s.-J. L. Hatton, the movelist gave a reading in York, at the Madison Square Theatre, of his play of Q Iven of Bahenia." 234-ilarry Eschett died, in London.

25th—Mass Helen Potter began a series of entertainments at Masonic Tempie.

26th—Cara Mortis appeared at the Park Theatre, N. Y., as Alexe. Limity Thorac (dirs. Chamberlain) returned to the Sary, acting with her. Mile. Sarah Bernhardt attived in New-York.

1st—Chara Morris at the Park Theatre acted in "Arti-cle 47."—Miss Lehan Spencer appeared at the Pitth Averoe Theatre in a play called "Noran's Yow."—J. B. Bindiey acted at the Windsor Theatre, as Monte Cristo. 6th-Edwin Booth specared in London, at the Prin-cess's Theatre, as Hamlet.

Sth-Sarah Benhardt made her first appearance in America, at Booth's Theatre, New-York, as Advience Leonirew - Robson and Crane appeared at the Stand Std Theatre, in "Shares and Flats,"—Charlotte Thompson, appeared at the Windsor Theatre.

en, appeared at the without Phearte.

9th—"The Legi n of Honor" was produced at the
Park Theatre.—"Needles and Pins" was produced at

10th.-Mile, Bernhardt enacted Fron Fron.

15th — John McCullough appeared at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, as Virginius.—Mile. Bernhardt enacted Ca-mille.— Enchan ment" was revived at Niblo's.— Jaferson appeared at the Grand Opera House, as Rep. Van Winkle. 18th.-Mile. Bernhardt enacted Dona Sol, in "Her-

20th.—Elwin Booth, at the Princess's Theatre, London enacted Richelies, and met with a brilliant success.

22d.—"Lawn Tenns" was revived in New-York, at the Bjon Opera House. 23. -Mile. Bernhardt enacted Phedre for the first 25th.-William R. Floyd died, in New-York.-Mile, Bernhardt appeared in "The Sphinz."

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28th.—Mr. H. L. Abbey announced his abandonment of the latention to produce "The Passion Play."

29th.—Funeral of W. R. Floyd.—McCallough acted Obtello.—"Prince Achmet" presented by the Rec Obtello.—"Prince Achmet" presented by the Rec Troupe, at Haverly's Theatre.—Salvini appeared in Philadelphia, beginning his new engagement in America.—Lawrence Barrett appeared at the Park Theatre, in Brooklyn.

DECEMBER. 2d.—McCullough seted King Lear.
3d.—McCullough seted Kickard III.—Mr. Salmi Morse, author of "The Passion Play," read that piece at the Cooper Institute, and judied a small audience to sleep.

Cooper Institute, and inted a smarrandence to steep.

4th.—Sarah Bernhardt ended her first engagement at
Booth's Theatre.—Le Passant" given for the first
time, on this occasion, with portions of "Fron-Frou"
and "Camille." Bib.—McCullough enacted Spartacus.—Maggie Mitchell ppeared at the Grand Opera House, as Jane Eure.—" A peared at the Grand Opera House, as Jane Egre. — A lebrated Case "was revived at Booth's theatre, with mes O'Neil as Jean Renaud.—Haveriy's Minstrels apared at Nibio's.— Matrimony "was presented at

the Standard.—Sarah Bernhardt appeared at the Globe Theatre, in Boston, as Dosa Sol. 10 b -McCullough seted Lucius Junius Brutus to "Lee Lall of Tarquin."

11th.—McCullough ended his engagement at Fifth Avenue Theatre, acting Spartacus.—"A Celebrated Case" was discontinued at Boolu's Theatre.—An exhibition of views of the Passion Play of Oberammergan was given at Chickering Hall, with lecture by Mr. J. L.

Steddard.

13th.—Salvint reappeared in New-York, at Beoth's Theatre, as othello.—Mary Anderson came out at the Fifth Avenue in afte, as aradia.—Mr. Locke Richardson began a series of recitais, at the Union League Teatre.—Miss Nelly Holbrook, of California, appeared at the Windsor Theatre, as Hamilet.—Miss Pixlev came forth at the Grand Opera House, as M'liss.—"Hawatia" was produced at the Fourierath Street Theatre—Haverly's—by the Rice Troupe.—McCallough appeared, in Baltimore, at the Academy of Music.—Bernhardt, in Boston, acted Camille.

15th.—"The Banker's Dungster" was revived, at the

15th.—"The Banker's Daughter" was revived, at the Union Square Theatre. 16th - Mary Anderson, at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, at ted furtheria.

17th.—Saivim appeared as Hamlet.—The last evening performance of "The Guv"nor," occurred at Wallack's.

18th.—Mr. Wallack brought out "Forg t ms Not," and Miss Rose Cornlan made a hit as Stephanic.—Salvim acted in "Le Morte Civile."—Bernhardt ended her engagement in Boston.

gagement in Boston.

20th.—Lawerence Barrett appeared at the Park
Theatre, in "Yorick's Love,"—Mary Anderson enacted
The Countess, in "Love," for the first time in New-York,
at the Fifth Avenue Theatre.—Anhev's Pantomime and
Specialty Company appeared at Niblo's.—McCullough
becan an engagement at Haverly's Theatre, Brooklyn,
as Virginius.—G. F. Rowe appeared at Toronto, in "The
Guy'mer."

21st.—"My Geraldine," an Irish play, by Bartley Campbel, was produced, at the Standard Theatre. 22d.—Salvini acted Sudiran ("David Garrick").

23. — Mary Anderson emasted Julia, in "The Hunchbers,"—The Rice Fronge, at Haverry's Theatre, brought forward the "strayagazy of "Babes in the Wood,"—Salvin emacted the Gladiator,—Miss Mand Harrison took in benefit at the Union Square Teatre, Miss Genevieve Ward arrived in New York, from England.

25th.-" Onvette was produced (first time in America) at the Bijou Opera House.

#### THE CINCINNATI FESTIVAL CHORUS.

A GREAT CHORUS-THEODORE THOMAS, DIRECTOR CINCINNATI, Dec. 25 .- An audience of 4 000 listened to the Oratorio, Handel's Messan, rendered here to-night by the Fe-tival Chorus of 600 voices, Theodore Thomas, director with the Cincinnati Orche tra, sixty pieces and soloists. Miss Norton, soprano; Miss Cranch, contraito; and Messrs. Bischoff, tenor Whitney, basso and Waiting, organist.

The Oratorio was performed under the auspices of the Cincinnati Musical Festival Association, with the chorus dready organized for the Festiv 4 of 1882.

The remation was highly satisfactory. Whitney's rendition of "Why do the Nations so Fariously Rage" was received with furious appliance, and during the singing of the "Hall-injan Chorus" the entire authence spring to their feet, as if moved by a sudden and common impulse. The weather was exceedingly bad, yet only about seven hundred seats in the great Music Hall were without occupants.

#### THE FRENCH CLAIMS.

A SUGGESTION THAT THEY MAY BE FOUND INVALID UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF A FRENCH LAW OF 1848.

Suc: An International Commission is about convene in Washington to examine and pass upon ertain claims of French citizens, or persons calling hencelves such, against the United States, for damages and looses sustained during the civil war. Some legal facts concerning those claims which are generally unknown or have been forgotten, may, I think, very prop-

erly becalled to light,
After the Revolution of February, 1848, one of the first acts of the Provisional Government was to publish a decree a setshing slavery, at once and forever, in all French colones, territories or jurisdictions. Some months later the Constituent Assembly, in order to the decree of the Previsional Government, but, according to its terms, all Prevenicitizens residing in foreign countries where slavery was a lawful institution were forbidden to own slaves or to have any interest in slavery, under whatever name or pretext; the French circums residing in foreign countries who, at the promiligation of the law, were the owners of slaves, or interested in with slavery, were oblised to get rid of them and sertle deficitly their interests in slavery within one year, and all that order the penalty of forfeiding their French citzenship and all right to the protection of the French Government.

seOreans found indusing the to do thin to academic, a the law and subrut to its enactments, unsequently, the first duty of the Commissioners, but considering the validity of the couns presented by sescularly French citizens, is to ascertain to the calina at the breaking out of the war, were owners of vis, or interested in slavery, or have been since enclines, and having lost their nationality and their each civil status, her can have no stancing in tast urt, and their claims must be rejected and the cases

dishused.

The decree of the Provisional Government may be found in the Bulletin des Lees, 1848, February-March; and the law of the Constituent Assembly in the same collection, 1849, February-March.

F. V.

New York, Dec. 10, 1880.

#### MIDNIGHT WEATHER REPORT.

GOVERNMENT INDICATIONS.

Synapsis for the past 24 hours. Washington, Dec. 26, 1 a.m.-An area of ow barometer is central near Cape Hatteras, and se ere northeasterly gales are reported on the Middle Atantic Coast. The barometer has fallen on the Atlantic Coast, with northerly winds, cloudy weather, snow and rain in the Middle States and New-England and rain in the South Atlantic States. Snow continues in the Lake region and the Omo Vailey, with northeast to north west winds, no caunge in temperature and lower barom eter. Clear or fair weather has prevailed in the Southwest, with slightly colder northerly winds and increased pr-s-ure. Colder northerly winds are reported from the Northwest, with partly cloudy weather, light snow and slight changes in barometer.

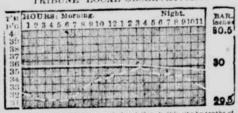
Indications. Por New-Engiand, generally cloudy weather and snow, northeast to northwest winds, increasing in force, falling barometer followed during the might by rising barometer and slight changes in temperature.

For the Middle states, rain and snow, northeast to northwest winds, falling barometer, followed during the might by partly cloudy and slightly colder weather.

Continuous Signals.

Cautionary Signals.

## TRIBUNE LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.



The diagram shows the barometrical variations in this city by tenths of inches. The perpendicular lines give divisions of time for the 54 hours preceding middight. Therefore while line represents the octilisations by the mercury during these hours. The broken or soft line represents the extractions in temperature, as indicated by the thermometer at Hadmar's Paramery, Ill Broadway.

TRIBUNE OFFICE, Dec. 26, 1 a. m .- There was no change in the barometer vesterday until about 1 p. m. when the mercury began to fall. Cloudy weather prevailed. The temperature ranged between 31° and 35°, the average (33°) being 7g° lower than on the cor-responding day last year, and 414° higher than on Friday.
Cloudy weather, with chances of light snow, possibly followed late in the day by colder and clearing weather, may be expected to-day in this city and vicinity.

#### MURDERED BY A SLIGHT BLOW.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 25 .- Lorenzo Vickard, a oung farmer, has been arrested, charged with the mur der of Germanie Bower, whom he struck over the eye ten days ago in a petty quarrel. Bower, it was sup-posed, had nearly recovered, but inflammation of the brain ensued, and he died this morning.

#### TRAINS DELAYED.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5 .- The express train on the new line was held here last night on the disputed mile of track until it was 21s hours late; the train going West was held upwards of an hour. To day there was no

#### VIRTUALLY UNDER ONE MANAGEMENT.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the St. Pani and Duluth Railroad Company, Henry II. Porter was chosen president in place of John P. Illsley, who bas resigned. Mr. Porter is also president of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minnespelis and Omaha Company. His presidency of the two companies practically brings un-der one management railroad lines extending from Omaha through Suour City and St. Paul to Duluth, at the head of Lake Superior.

## ENGLAND IND THE EAST.

SBURY ANSWERED. LOF OR CHARLES DILAR MEETS HIS STATEMENTS ABOUT

ALBANIA AND GREECE WITH PACTS-THE EX-FOR-EIGN SECRETARY CHARGED WITH STRANGELY RECKLESS AND UNTRUE REMARKS—THE POWERS STILL UNITED IN SUSTAINING THE DECISION RE-

LATING TO THE GREEK FRONTIER. FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE. London, Dec. 14.-If anybody had said ten, or even five years ago, that in 1880 Sir Charles Dilko would be a leading member of Her Majesty's Government, would have had the refusal of a Cabinet office (and put it aside in favor of a friend), would have become one of the most popular and respected members of the House of Commons, and would be reported verbatim and in the first person when he addressed his constituents of Chelsea-if anybody had predicted even one of these things, he would have been thought unworthy of serious attention, and surely have been laughed at as soon as his back was turned. Yet all these things have come to pass, the last of them only last night. The speech, to which The Times devotes over three columns, certainly deserves the sort of compliment implied by reporting it in full; less from its rhetorical merits, perhaps, than from its sound ability and its clear and full statements on some points of foreign policy on which definite information was much wanted. Sir Charles Dilke has, it may be said, a genius for facts, great industry in accumulating them, and skill in arranging them. It is this which makes him so dangerous an opponent to Lord Salisbury. As Sir Charles Dilke himself eays, in dealing with the late Foreign Secretary, there is nothing like

facts. It is not for the first nor the twentieth time that Lord Salisbury has been brought to book; yet repeated corrections leave him a hardened offender. Sir Charles Dilke applies to his language such as is not often applied in this country to men in the high position of Lord Salisbury. They have not often laid themselves open to it. "Strangely reckless talk," "wholly nonsensical," "untrue," "wanton language"-these are some of the phrases descriptive, and, unhappily, accurately descriptive, of Lord Salisbury's method of dealing with public questions. It was a favorite charge of the Tories while in office against the Liberals while in opposition that the latter allowed party zeal to lead them into "unpatriotic" attacks upon the Government of the day. Mr. Gladstone dealt with that accusation a year ago last November, in Midlothian; dealt with it unanswerably; pointing out that while the action of the late Government upon the Eastern Question began in the summer of 1875, "down to the end of the session of 1876, although the Government had been adopting measures of the utmost importance in direct contradiction to the rope, there was not one word of hostile comment from the Liberal party." I thought then, and still think, and Mr. Gladstone himself was inclined to admit, that it was much more difficult to justify the Liberal party for its long silence than to defend it for finally intervening as it did; or rather, as the whole country did by that memorable outburst of feeling in August and September, 1876. On the other hand, I know not what can be said in reply to Sir Charles Dilke's charge that Lord Salisbury has recently made speech after speech ineroment-speeches in which he has dealt with for eign questions in a manner singularly reckless in a late Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. The brovide for the final execution of that decree, veted a late Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. The law which received the agnuture of the then President of the Republic, Prince Lords Bonaparte, was published in to the public; and the impression they have it. It was this distinction that put Mr. Greeley into the official paper, and so became a low of the country obligation of the public is tersely stated in that single gating upon all the cutizens. That is who tonly restirmed sentence. But until now, Lord Salisbury has not sentence. But until now, Lord Salisbury has not men as Scott and Houston. It was this fact, thoroughly been met in detail; and not until you follow Lord Salisbury in detail, and contrast his assertions with | Pic or South Carolina, that wade Mr. Seward take the un facts, can you form any adequate notion of that great nobleman's imaginative way of putting

At Woodstock the other day Lord Salisbury accused the Government of "slaughtering hundryds of Albanians" in order to deliver over " a piece of Albanian territory to masters whose faith was suffering till bis death from the effects of the blows given strangely repellant to the Albanian people." There in the Senate Charler, to quote General Jackson's mem or the number of Albanians killed by the Turks in opposing the entry of the Turkish troops into Dulcigno. The lowest estimate is five, the highest thirteen; the "hundreds" perished only in the speech of Lord Satisbury, and by the still more exact computation of Lord Cranbrook, who affirmed that 700 had been killed. Lord Salisbury says the "hundreds" killed were Albanians who desired to defend their country. The five or eight or thirteen actually killed were in fact situaters to the district. Lord Salisbury now condemes the transfer of Dulcignos and control of the sail to screen a second to the sails of the sail to screen a second to the sail to screen a second to the sail to screen a second to second to second the sail to screen a second to the sail to screen a second to second the sail to sail the ambitions leafers who, in 1793 h d sought to scart a substitute ambition leafers who, in 1793 h d sought to scart a substitute ambition leafers who, in 1793 h d sought to scart a western Empire," in 1804 a "Southwestern Empire," in 1804 a "Southwestern Empire," and in 1830 a "Southern Confederation," with the mublication vities, in 1804 a "Southwestern Empire," and in 1830 a "Southern Confederation," wind the nublified in 1830 a "Southern Confederation," wind the 1830 a "Southern Confederation," and it is southern Confederation, and it is southern Confederation, and it is southern Confederation, and it is southern Con is, it appears, a discrepancy in the official accounts agoo as an act opposed to the wishes of the transferred district, and because of its supposed effensive ness to the Albanian nationality. Yet, says Sir Charles Dilke, "he must have known that it was unanimously adopted by Europe, because the two successive propositions to which he, when in office, had put his name had been found to be most objectionable to the inhabitants of the countries to be ceded." It is known that the opposition to the ession of Dulcigno did not come from the people of the district, but from outsiders. The Montenegrin forces were cordially received on entering. Of the whole population, but ten householders quitted the town, and they are expected to return. So much for Lord Salisbury's appearance as the champion of oppressed nationalities. I quote but one of the several instances in which Sir Charles Duke convicts him of-tb use a mild term-gross misrepresentation. But I apprehend it will not be difficult for the reader to sympathize with the feelings which inspire the remark that "it is a trial to our patience when we know that all our late difficulties in carrying out the treaty of Berlin come from Lord Salisbury's haremsearum hurry when he was Foreign Minister and second Pienipotentiary of England, to stand by and hear ourselves attacked by him as though they

were of our creation."

What Sir Charles Dilke says on the Greek ques tion is sufficient to prove how the late Government has played fast and loose with that question. Lord Salisbury now ridicules the claims of Gréece as shadowy and unsubstantial." His chief, Lord Beaconsfield, said after the Congress Greece had gained more by the efforts of Lord Salisbury than had been acquired by the rebellious Principalities. Sir Stafford Northcote said these gains were "large and substantial." Up to this time Greece has received nothing. Her claims are claims for the fulfilment of the pledges of Lord Salisbury and his fellow chiefs, and Lord Salisbury would doubtless be right in describing these claims as shadowy and unsubstantial of they depended for fulfilment upon his good will or good faith. Luckily for the Greeks the Tories are out and the Liberals are in, and among the Laberals they count the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs among their substantial friends, of whom Mr. Gladstone is another and perhaps Lord Granville a third. And we now have the assurance of Sir Charles Dilke that the unanimous decision of the Powers respecting the Greek frontier is one which the Powers remain united in sustaining. That is a very important and encouraging declaration. In the mouth of an Under Foreign Secretary, it is, though not official in form, tantamount to an official pledge. It may be a consolation to Lord Salisbury to learn-for he seems much in need of elementary information on matters with which he had been dealing as Foreign Minister for the last two or three years-that throughout, the whole country to be ceded to Greece but one-seventh of the population are Mahometan. Lord Salisbury, perhaps holding a brief for his Austrian friends, objects particularly to ceding any part of Epirus. It seems an odd objection to come from the advocate of nationalities, since four-fifths of the people of that district are Christian Greeks. The common assertion that Austria does not agree with England on the Greek question, is, says Srr Charles Dilke, untrue. The Austrian opinion, of which Lord Salisbury made himself the English spokesman, is the opinion of the Austrian officials, and more particularly of one often-quoted Vienna newspaper, which attacks with equal violence Mr. Gladstone and the Austro-Hungarian Government. But "Her Majesty's Government now are, and have been

throughout, in active and friendly cooperation with

the Austrian Government."

pervades Sir Charles Dilke's speech may be found in his observations on this delicate subject, and on the general and equally delicate question of the European concert. Few English politicians have caught equally well the diction of diplomacy as it prevails en the Continent. I recollect no phrase in this speech which can wound the susceptibilities of any Power. There are many which tend to soothe such as may have been ruffled by other speeches in even higher stations; notably, this conclusion of the foreign portion of the speech: "We were once told that the concorted action of Europe could not be brought about. When it was brought about, we were told that it could not continue. It was brought about, and it has continued. At every step the action of the Powers has been marked by absolute unanimity, and the whole of the Powers continue at the present time to inform the Sultan that the rature of his Empire depends upon his acceptance of their views. Mr. Bourke said lately at King's Lynn that the influence of England had vanished, and that the concert of Europe had been broken up. England has for nearly eight months been the chief suggester of the unanimous action of the European Powers; to say which is to answer both for the concert and for her influence. I recommend to Lord Salisbury's notice Baron Haymerie's words; 'It will be the aim of our policy, not to spiit Europe up, but to unite it in a were told that it could not continue. It was brought

policy, not to split Europe up, but to unite it in a common course of peace."

These are words which, although coming from an Austrian mouth, are the voice of sense and truth—to use Lord Beaconsfield's phrase once more, and more truly than he used it. I said some time ago that it was understood Sir Charles Dilke had his own way on the Greek question. The conduct of all the negotiations has, I believe, been in his hands, or mainly in his hands, down to the present time. It is no slight testimony to his diplomatic capacity that he has preserved and continued the good understanding of the powers on that subject. If that understanding endure to the end—and the end can only he the enforcement of the Greek claims and the line of the Berlin Conference—Sir Charles Dilke will have done enough to establish his reputation, not in England only, but in Europe.

G. W. S. policy, not to split Europe up, but to unite it in a

### THE SOUTHERN PROBLEM.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sin: From a second letter from General Sam Houston's old Louisiana friend, Colonel E. W. Butler, dated St. Louis, December 6, I have taken the fol-

lowing extract:

By a strange coincidence your letter concerning President Houseon came to me with a letter from Colonel William Preston Johnston, the distinguished son of the gathaut General Arbert Sidney Johnston, who so ably cooperated with Houston, in establishing and desinding the independence of Texas. Colonel Johnston has just been appointed president of the University of Louiseaus, and a better appointment could not have been made. The character and forthcase of the university, like those of the gathaut state which so liberally endowed it, went down amigst the wrock and ruin of the Southern Confederacy, but I hope and believe that, under his management, they will revive with her commerce and agriculture.

ageness, they will revive with her commencements culture.

As the Teirene is the medium of your communications to the public, pray ask its Eduor, in the name of a Louisianam, to deal gradly with the proptic of the South. No prave man will insult a faint adversary, especially in adversary, and the United Saues of America possess no more loyal members to an tross of the South. Let this country be involved in a foreign war; no maker who may be at the head of the Administration, the South, unlike some of her sisters on previous occasions, will come to its aid and support, and early its fag, like the white plume of Henry IV., to victory and to glory.

Our Northern friends must "pardon something unto floerty."

head of his regiment in the Mexican War. He was a favorite cousin of General William O. Butler, who, when once accused of latriguing for the Presidency with the elder Blair, indignantly replied; "I prize the character of a sentleman far higher than the Presidency "; to which be added in a letter still preserved by his kins-men; "We Butlers cannot become office-seekers, but we D. D., formerly President of the State University of lows. men: "We Butlers cannot become office-seekers, but we have the unquestionable right to fight the battles of our country."

between the politicians and the people of the South may sympathy, when the war was threatening, with such tested by the best men in private life among the peoexpected turn in his speech of January, 1861; which led inci, and which, after Anderson's retirement to Port Sumpter, led to his inviting a visit from the South Car oling Commissioners and to the subsequent effort to are vent open hostilities. It was this that led Mr. Smaner

### A DEMOCRAT'S DILEMMA.

To the Editor of The Tribune. SIR: If THE TRIBUNE is partisan it is levelheaded also. It is right in saying, "Develop the facts"; and it is right in its intimation that the character and moral capacity of the "Four Judases" were as well known to Tammany before as after the late confirmation of Mayor Cooper's nominees. Mr Kelly is personally honest. Is he so, politically ? I have supported Mr. Kelly and the Tammany organtzation in all things but " deals"; and would prefer that I might now speak my condemnation through a Democratic rather than a Republican journal. This, however, is impossible. The organization of which Mr. Kelly is the head, for some reason or other, has driven out every Democrat of my acquaintance professing independence of thought, high personal character or familiarity with the tenets of Democracy. Irving Hall, however, while receiving suc men into its fellowship, has carefully excluded them from any influential place in its counsels. I have

from any influential place in its counsels. I have never belonged to either, although supporting Tammany on account of my faith in Kelly's honesty. I now think Mr. Kelly as free from the suspicion of political honesty as Helbig himself, and in this respect, at least, Mr. Kelly is Tammany Hall.

"Between the devil and the deep sea," then, best characterizes the position of decent Democratis who love their party and hope for the prevalence of its principles in the future administration of American Governments. If there is for us "any way out" other than that of helping to turn over entirely the annicipal government to Republican control, I confess I don't know it. Can any el your Democratic readers enlighten me? It might be that your party would in turn prove as unit for the task of governing New-York as ours has. But think, what a beneficient effect such a course would have upon local ing New-York as ours his. But turns, what a being client effect such a course would have upon local Democratic statesmanship! The liquor traffic night, of course, suffer for a time; but the impetus given by the change to other branches of trade—the tramp industry, for instance—would fully compensate for any temporary dulness in this direction.

New-York, Dec. 13, 1880.

A DEMOCRAT.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.



LATEST SHIPPING NEWS. PORT OF NEW YORK ..... DEC. 25, 1890. Str Schieswig (Ger), Duit Nov 11 via Halifax, in ballast to Bu Schussell Co., Barg Fairy, Johnson, New Ross Nov 3, in ballast to master, Bark Fhorvaldson (Nor). Hansen, Lynn Dock Nov 6 in ballast to Funch, Edye & Co., bark Ellist (Nor). Hange, Lisbon Oct 26, in ballast to Becham, Pickering & Co.

STABBED IN THE BACK. Two Italians, Andrew Fayallo and G. B. Lu-

A good measure of the statesmanlike quality which | gart, quarrelled last evening at No. 28 Baxter-st., where both live, and fought with knives. Favallo was stabb in the back, and received a serious wound, but refered, when questioned by the police, to make a complaint against Lugari, who excaped.

#### TWO WOMEN BURNED TO DEATH.

Mary Keyvan, a colored woman, thirty-seven years old, was burned to death yesterday evening at No. 237 West Thirty-second-st. In the absence of her husband she attempted to light the kitchen fire with the aid of kerosene oil. Her clothes caught fire, and she was burned to death before her cries.

The second is a triple of the sax year, 2 pay interest and 102 feet. The sax yea brought help. A child who was in the room was

unburt.

Mrs. Jane Winny, sixty years old, wife of Patrick Winny, living at St. Mark's-place and Classon-ave.. Brooklyn, was fatally burned, yesterday evening, the shanty in which she and her bushand lived eatching fire from an exploding lamp. She died soon after being taken out of the shanty, which was destroyed. In running to the fire, Michael Murray, a fireman of Engine No. 19, was thrown from his seat as the engine was turning a corner, at Pacificst, and Grand-ave., and had his leg broken by catching it in the wheel.

In a carriage attached to a train on one of the branches of the Northeastern Railway latery, the conversation turned on the various modes devised for defrauding railway companies, and the difficulty that attended their successful accomplishment. "Oh, begor, but an tyouk then in last fortheat?" soid an old miner, with a churkle. "Hoo wis that, Jack?" asked his mate. "Wey," Jack replied, "an tyouk a retern fra Widdrington Collery to Morpeth, an' an wanked back hyem au' kept the ticket?"

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all notices of name and address. RLACKWELL—On Friday, December 24, at the residence of his brother in law. Widham Floyd Jones, South Cyster Bay, L. I. James attackwell, sized 52 years. Reintives and friends are invited to attend the funeral service at at Linke's Church, Canton-ave., between Fulton and At-lantic-aves., Erooktyn, on Tuesday, December 28, at 11:30

a. m.

(A RVEY—On Friday, December 24, Elizabeth Jeffries, widow of the late John Garvey, of this city, aged 72 years.

Relatives and friends and those of her son, A. J. Garvey, are respectfully in vited to attend the funeral services at her late respectfully in vited to attend the funeral services at her late respection, No. 408 West 54th st., on Tuesday, December 28, at 2 p. m.

Interment at Woodlawn Cemetery.

LANGLEY Suddenly of heart disease, on the evening of the tenning of the services from St. Ann's Epsechair thurch, West 18th-st., rear oth ave. Monday morning, at 9.30 o'clock. Michigan papers pease copy.

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1. UGAR—On Friday, December 24, after a short illness, Josephine S. Easten, wife of Henry P. Lugar.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend services at her late residence, 334 East 4th-st., on Monday, December 27, at 11 o'cock a. m.

Remains will be taken to West Troy for interment.

aged 4 years and 3 mooths.
Friends who desire to call still please do so at the residence of the premise the decessed, No. 150 West Fistat, on the afternoon of Sunday, the 26th inst. No dowers.

#### Religious Notices.

Author Memorial Church, 48th-st, west of 6th ave., pectal musical service on SUNDAY, December 2s, at 11, m, and 4 p. m., with sermons by the Rev. R. HEBER EWYON.

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REV. D. C. WATSON, B. D., will preach Sunday me Charch of the floty Aposties, corner of 2schest and 2th-ave, the Rev. Braddy E. Back U.S. Rector.—Services (Lidstmas Day, 1945 a. m. (Sunday, 1946 a. m.) and 7:30 p. m. Sanday-school Festival, Tucsday, 7 p. m. Church of the Messiah, corner 34thst, and Park ave. The Paster, the Rev. ROLERT COLLYER, will presch. Morning at 11—Subject: "In Memory of Our Dead," Even ing at 8. Lecture: "The New German Crusade." Public

R. Christines music Public invited Madison Avenue Suprist Church, corner 31st-st.

Birs. Lillie Devereux Blake will speak on the Religio of Patriotism (subject: "The Christmas of the World "I dasonic itall, corner 23d-st. and 6th-ave. this Sunday, at 3 p n. Admission free. New Jerusalem Church (swedenborgian),

New Jerushian Charten Cavendonicans, i.e. between Park and Lexinction aves, the Rev S. EWARD. Pastor.—Services at 11 a. m., December thristmas sermon. Text, John I., 18. Smithet: "The divining the Lord Jesus Christ, the essential factor in taking a control of the human race from the beginning and throught all ages." Sunday-achool at 9:30 a. m. Fourth Unitarian Church, 72 East 128th st., SUSSELL N. HELLOWS, Minister.—At 11 a m., Coristmas Festival Service. The Paster will preach. The public cordually invited. No evening service.

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Society for Ethical Culture, Professor FELIX ADLER will becare before this Society, at Chickering Hall, 5th-ave, corner of 18th st., on SUNDAY, December 25. Doors opened at 16-30; closed at 11 a. m. All interested are invited to attend. Subject, "Larger Tolerance."

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